



Audio Publishers Association

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## **Audio Publishers Association announces Audie® finalists in 25 categories**

***Winners to be honored at the Audie Awards Gala in Chicago on May 11  
hosted by award-winning comedian and author, Paula Poundstone***

Philadelphia, PA – The Audio Publishers Association (APA) has announced finalists for the 21st annual Audie Awards® competition, the premier awards program in the United States recognizing distinction in audiobooks and spoken word entertainment. Winners will be revealed at the Audies Gala on May 11, 2016, at the Adler Planetarium in Chicago. Award-winning comedian, author, and commentator Paula Poundstone will emcee the event.

“With the announcement of these finalists,” says APA President Linda Lee, “the vibrancy of the audiobook industry is apparent in the continued year-over-year increase in submissions. To all our esteemed finalists, ‘May the odds be ever in your favor!’ We look forward to the festivities in Chicago this year.”

“Picking this year's top titles was a tough challenge for our judges because there were so many excellent entries,” adds Janet Benson, Audies Competition Chair. “Each of these finalists is a great representative of the best our audio world has to offer. We encourage listeners to check out all of one category’s finalists, and see which one you think should win the Audie!”

Through the Audie Awards® competition, publishers enter titles in various categories for recognition of excellence. Finalists are selected by a diverse group of experienced judges and one winner is awarded the Audie in each category. For 2016 three new awards have been added: Industry Awards for Excellence in Design, Marketing, and Production. Finalists for these new categories and for Audiobook of the Year will be announced in March. For more information and to see a list of all of the nominees, visit [www.theaudies.com](http://www.theaudies.com).



Finalists in this year’s competition are:

### **AUDIO DRAMA**

*Amok* by Sebastian Fitzek, narrated by a full cast, published by Audible Studios

*Christmas Eve, 1914* by Charles Olivier, narrated by a full cast, published by Audible Studios

*Rudyard Kipling's The Jungle Book: The Mowgli Stories* by Rudyard Kipling, narrated by a full cast, published by Audible Studios

*The Sleeper and the Spindle* by Neil Gaiman, narrated by Julian Rhind-Tutt, Lara Pulver, Niamh Walsh, Adjoa Andoh, Peter Forbes, John Sessions, and Michael Maloney, published by HarperAudio.

*The Starling Project* by Jeffrey Deaver, narrated by Alfred Molina and a full cast, published by Audible Studios

### **AUTOBIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR**

*Born with Teeth* by Kate Mulgrew, narrated by Kate Mulgrew, published by Hachette Audio

*The Courage to Act: A Memoir of a Crisis and Its Aftermath* by Ben S. Bernanke, narrated by Grover Gardner, published by Brilliance Audio

*Ghost Boy* by Martin Pistorius, narrated by Simon Bubb, published by Thomas Nelson/HarperAudio

*I Must Say* by Martin Short, narrated by Martin Short, published by HarperAudio

*Keep Moving* by Dick Van Dyke, narrated by Dick Van Dyke, published by Blackstone Audio, Inc.

*Travels* by Michael Crichton, narrated by Christopher Lane, published by Brilliance Audio

### **BEST FEMALE NARRATOR**

*All the Stars in Heaven* by Adriana Trigiani, narrated by Blair Brown, published by HarperAudio

*The Boston Girl* by Anita Diamant, narrated by Linda Lavin, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Lair of Dreams* by Libba Bray, narrated by January LaVoy, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

*The Lost Landscape* by Joyce Carol Oates, narrated by Cassandra Campbell, published by HarperAudio

*The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah, narrated by Polly Stone, published by Macmillan Audio

*Wild Rover No More* by L.A. Meyer, narrated by Katherine Kellgren, published by Listen & Live Audio

### **BEST MALE NARRATOR**

*Breakfast of Champions* by Kurt Vonnegut, narrated by John Malkovich, published by Audible Studios

*Classic Love Poems* by various authors, narrated by Richard Armitage, published by Audible Studios

*Dead Wake* by Erik Larson, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

*The English Spy* by Daniel Silva, narrated by George Guidall, published by HarperAudio  
*Finders Keepers* by Stephen King, narrated by Will Patton, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Jurassic Park* by Michael Crichton, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Brilliance Audio

### **BUSINESS/EDUCATIONAL**

*Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man, Expanded Edition* by Steve Harvey, narrated by Mike Hodge, published by HarperAudio

*A Curious Mind* by Brian Grazer with Charles Fishman, narrated by Norbert Leo Butz, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Get Big Things Done, The Power of Connectional Intelligence* by Erica Dhawan and Saj-nicole Joni, narrated by Christina Moore, published by Recorded Books

*Talk to Crazy* by Mark Goulston, MD, narrated by L.J. Ganser, published by Audible Studios

*Wake up Happy: The Dream Big, Win Big Guide to Transforming Your Life* by Michael Strahan and Veronica Chambers, narrated by Michael Strahan, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

### **EROTICA**

*Beg Tease Submit* by CD Reiss, narrated by Jo Raylan, published by Flip City Media Inc.

*Beta* by Jasinda Wilder, narrated by Summer Roberts and Tyler Donne, published by ACX/Seth Clarke

*Control Burn Resist* by CD Reiss, narrated by Jo Raylan and Christian Fox, published by Flip City Media Inc.

*Curing Doctor Vincent* by Renea Mason, narrated by Noah Michael Levine and Erin deWard, published by Renea Mason

*Trust* by Ella Frank, narrated by Shannon Gunn, published by Audible Studios

### **FANTASY**

*Ascension: The Trysmoon Saga, Book 1* by Brian K. Fuller, narrated by Simon Vance, published by Podium Publishing

*The Cycle of Arawn* by Edward W. Robertson, narrated by Tim Gerard Reynolds, published by Podium Publishing

*The Fifth Season* by N.K. Jemisin, narrated by Robin Miles, published by Hachette Audio

*Nice Dragons Finish Last* by Rachel Aaron, narrated by Vikas Adam, published by Audible Studios

*Son of the Black Sword* by Larry Correia, narrated by Tim Gerard Reynolds, published by Audible Studios

## **FICTION**

*Citizens Creek* by Lalita Tademy, narrated by Bahni Turpin and J. D. Jackson, published by Brilliance Audio

*A God in Ruins* by Kate Atkinson, narrated by Alex Jennings, published by Hachette Audio

*Kitchens of the Great Midwest* by J. Ryan Stradal, narrated by Amy Ryan and Michael Stuhlbarg, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

*The Last Bus to Wisdom* by Ivan Doig, narrated by David Aaron Baker, published by Recorded Books

*The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah, narrated by Polly Stone, published by Macmillan Audio

*The Sellout* by Paul Beatty, narrated by Prentice Onayemi, published by Audible Studios

## **HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY**

*In Search of Sir Thomas Browne* by Hugh Aldersey-Williams, read by Simon Vance, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books

*A Man on the Moon* by Andrew Chaikin and Tom Hanks, narrated by Bronson Pinchot, published by Audiobooks.com Publishing

*Operation Nemesis* by Eric Bogosian, narrated by Eric Bogosian, published by Hachette Audio

*Pacific Pacific* by Simon Winchester, narrated by Simon Winchester, published by HarperAudio

*Texas Rising* by Stephen L. Moore, narrated by P.J. Ochlan, published by HarperAudio

## **HUMOR**

*Almost Interesting* by David Spade, narrated by David Spade, published by HarperAudio

*Car Talk Classics: No Factory Recalls, So Far* by Tom and Ray Magliozzi, narrated by Tom and Ray Magliozzi, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books

*Furiously Happy* by Jenny Lawson, narrated by Jenny Lawson, published by Macmillan Audio

*Modern Romance* by Aziz Ansari with Eric Klinenberg, narrated by Aziz Ansari, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

*Texts from Jane Eyre* by Mallory Ortberg, narrated by Amy Landon and Zach Villa, published by Tantor Media

*Why Not Me?* By Mindy Kaling, narrated by Mindy Kaling, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

## **INSPIRATIONAL/FAITH-BASED FICTION**

*Come to Me Alive* by Leah Atwood, narrated by Pamela Almand, published by ACX

*Her Brother's Keeper* by Beth Wiseman, narrated by Clifton Harris, published by Thomas Nelson/HarperAudio

*The Pursuit of Tamsen Littlejohn* by Lori Benton, narrated by Kate Forbes, published by Recorded Books

*Secrets She Kept* by Cathy Gohlke, narrated by Morgan Hallett and Suzy Jackson, published by Recorded Books

*To Win Her Favor* by Tamera Alexander, narrated by Melba Sibrel, published by Zondervan/HarperAudio

### **INSPIRATIONAL/FAITH-BASED NON-FICTION**

*And Then There Were Nuns* by Jane Christmas, narrated by Elizabeth Wiley, published by Post Hypnotic Press

*Boy Born Dead* by David Ring, narrated by Paul Michael, published by christianaudio

*Glory Days* by Max Lucado, narrated by Ben Holland, published by Thomas Nelson/HarperAudio

*The Pastor's Wife* by Sabina Wurmbrand, narrated by Sadie Alexandru, published by christianaudio

*Through the Eyes of a Lion* by Levi Lusko, narrated by Levi Lusko, published by Thomas Nelson/HarperAudio

### **LITERARY FICTION & CLASSICS**

*The Fishermen* by Chigozie Obioma, narrated by Chukwudi Iwuji, published by Hachette Audio

*Kidnapped* by Robert Louis Stevenson, narrated by Kieron Elliott, published by Recorded Books

*Little Big Man* by Thomas Berger, narrated by Scott Sowers, cameo by David Aaron Baker, published by Recorded Books

*Sweetland* by Michael Crummey, narrated by John Lee, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books

*Til the Well Runs Dry* by Lauren Francis-Sharma, narrated by Ron Butler and Bahni Turpin, published by Tantor Media

### **MIDDLE GRADE**

*Echo* by Pam Munoz Ryan, narrated by Mark Bramhall, David deVries, MacLeod Andrews, and Rebecca Soler, published by Scholastic Audio

*The Enchanted Files: Diary of a Mad Brownie* by Bruce Coville, narrated by various people, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

*The Incurable Children of Ashton Place: Book V* by Maryrose Wood, narrated by Katherine Kellgren, published by HarperAudio

*Jump Back, Paul: The Life and Poems of Paul Laurence Dunbar* by Sally Derby, narrated by Dion Graham and Bahni Turpin, published by Brilliance Publishing

*Stella by Starlight* by Sharon M. Draper, narrated by Heather Alicia Simms, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

### **MULTI-VOICED PERFORMANCE**

*Clockwork Lives* by Kevin J. Anderson and Neil Peart, narrated by Morgan Hallet, George Guidall, Richard Poe, Jim Jenner, Tandy Cronyn, Pete Bradbury, Barbara Rosenblat, and Brian Hutchison, published by Recorded Books

*Echo* by Pam Munoz Ryan, narrated by Mark Bramhall, David deVries, MacLeod Andrews, and Rebecca Soler, published by Scholastic Audio

*How It Went Down* by Kekla Magoon, narrated by Cherise Boothe, Shari Peele, Kevin R. Free, Avery Glymph, Patricia R. Floyd, and Brian Hutchison, published by Recorded Books

*Illuminae* by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff, narrated by Olivia Taylor Dudley, Lincoln Hoppe, and Jonathan McClain, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

*Just Kids from the Bronx* by Arlene Alda, narrated by Alan Alda, Arlene Alda, Christina Delaine with Milton Glaser, Regis Philbin, Robert Klein, Gabrielle Salvatto and Carlos Serrano, published by Macmillan Audio

*With Lee in Virginia* by G.A. Henty, narrated by Brian Blessed, Sean Astin, Kirk Cameron, and a full cast, published by Heirloom Audio Productions

### **MYSTERY**

*All the Old Knives* by Olen Steinhauer, narrated by Ari Fliakos and Juliana Francis Kelly, published by Macmillan Audio

*Career of Evil* by Robert Galbraith, narrated by Robert Glenister, published by Hachette Audio

*Corrupted* by Lisa Scottoline, narrated by Kate Burton, published by Macmillan Audio

*Gun Street Girl* by Adrian McKinty, narrated by Gerard Doyle, published by Blackstone Audio, Inc.

*Malice at the Palace* by Rhys Bowen, narrated by Katherine Kellgren, published by Audible Studios

*The Nature of the Beast* by Louise Penny, narrated by Robert Bathurst, published by Macmillan Audio

### **NARRATION BY THE AUTHOR or AUTHORS**

*The Art of Asking* by Amanda Palmer, narrated by Amanda Palmer, published by Hachette Audio

*Born with Teeth* by Kate Mulgrew, narrated by Kate Mulgrew, published by Hachette Audio

*Furiously Happy* by Jenny Lawson, narrated by Jenny Lawson, published by Macmillan Audio

*I Must Say* by Martin Short, narrated by Martin Short, published by HarperAudio

*Thirteen Ways of Looking* by Colum McCann, narrated by Colum McCann, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

### **NON-FICTION**

*The Dorito Effect* by Mark Schatzker, narrated by Chris Patton, published by Dreamscape

*Ghettoside* by Jill Leovy, narrated by Rebecca Lowman, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

*I Wasn't Strong Like This When I Started Out* by Lee Gutkind, narrated by Tavia Gilbert, published by Tantor Media

*Missoula* by Jon Krakauer, narrated by Mozhan Marno, published by Books on Tape/Penguin Random House Audio

*Song Machine* by John Seabrook, narrated by Dion Graham, published by Highbridge Audio/Recorded Books

### **ORIGINAL WORK**

*Carmilla* by J. Sheridan Le Fanu, narrated by Rose Leslie and David Tennant, published by Audible Studios

*Drunken Fireworks* by Stephen King, narrated by Tim Sample, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Locke & Key* by Joe Hill, narrated by Haley Joel Osment, Tatiana Maslany, and a full cast, published by Audible Studios

*NPR American Chronicles: First Ladies* by National Public Radio, narrated by Cokie Roberts, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books

*The Starling Project* by Jeffery Deaver, narrated by Alfred Molina and a full cast, published by Audible Studios

*StoryCorps: Outloud: Voices of the LGBTQ Community from Across America*, by David Isay, narrated by Ari Shapiro and a full cast, published by HighBridge Audio/Recorded Books RB

### **PARANORMAL**

*The Dead House* by Dawn Kurtagich, narrated by Charlotte Parry and Christian Coulson, published by Hachette Audio

*Hounacier* by Seth Skorkowsky, narrated by R.C. Bray, published by Audible Studios

*Lycan Fallout 2: Fall of Man* by Mark Tufo, narrated by Sean Runnette, published by Podium Publishing

*Seven Years* by Dannika Dark, narrated by Nicole Poole, published by Tantor Media

*White Trash Zombie Gone Wild* by Diana Rowland, narrated by Allison McLemore, published by Audible Studios

## **ROMANCE**

*The Duke's Holiday* by Maggie Fenton, narrated by Sue Pitkin, published by Brilliance Audio

*The Highwayman* by Kerrigan Byrne, narrated by Derek Perkins, published by Tantor Media

*Never Judge a Lady by Her Cover* by Sarah MacLean, narrated by Justine Eyre, published by HarperAudio

*The Secrets of Sir Richard Kenworthy*, by Julia Quinn, narrated by Rosalyn Landor, published by HarperAudio

*A Sorceress of His Own* by Dianne Duvall, narrated by Kirsten Potter, published by Tantor Media

## **SCIENCE FICTION**

*Ancillary Mercy* by Ann Leckie, narrated by Adjoa Andoh, published by Hachette Audio

*Aurora* by Kim Stanley Robinson, narrated by Ali Ahn, published by Hachette Audio

*Golden Son: Book II of the Red Rising Trilogy* by Pierce Brown, narrated by Tim Gerard Reynolds, published by Recorded Books

*Jurassic Park* by Michael Crichton, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Brilliance Audio

*Star Wars: Return of the Jedi: Beware the Power of the Dark Side!* by Tom Angleberger, narrated by Marc Thompson, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

## **THRILLER/SUSPENSE**

*Blue Labyrinth* by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child, narrated by Rene Auberjonois, published by Hachette Audio

*The Patriot Threat* by Steve Berry, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Macmillan Audio

*The President's Shadow* by Brad Meltzer, narrated by Scott Brick, published by Hachette Audio

*Season of Fear* by Brian Freeman, narrated by Joe Barrett, published by Blackstone Audio, Inc.

*Signal* by Patrick Lee, narrated by Ari Fliakos, published by Macmillan Audio

## **YOUNG ADULT**

*All the Bright Places* by Jennifer Niven, narrated by Kirby Heyborne, Ariadne Meyers, and Jennifer Niven, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

*Lair of Dreams* by Libba Bray, narrated by January LaVoy, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio



*The Sleeper and the Spindle* by Neil Gaiman , narrated by Julian Rhind-Tutt, Lara Pulver, Niamh Walsh, Adjoa Andoh, Peter Forbes, John Sessions, and Michael Maloney, published by HarperAudio

*Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptation)* by Laura Hillenbrand, narrated by Edward Herrmann, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

*The Winter Horses* by Philip Kerr, narrated by James Langton, published by Tantor Media

*X: A Novel* by Ilyasah Shabazz and Kekla Magoon, narrated by Dion Graham and Ilyasah Shabazz, published by Brilliance Audio

**YOUNG LISTENERS (up to age 8)**

*Appleblossom the Possum* by Holly Goldberg Sloan, narrated by Dustin Hoffman, published by Listening Library/Penguin Random House Audio

*Brother Hugo and the Bear* by Katy Beebe and S.D. Schindler, narrated by Gildart Jackson, published by Dreamscape

*Dory Fantasmagory* by Abby Hanlon, narrated by Suzy Jackson, published by Recorded Books

*The Eloise Collection* by Kay Thompson, narrated by Bernadette Peters, with music by Anthony de Mare, published by Simon & Schuster Audio

*Little Shop of Monsters* by R.L. Stine and Marc Brown, narrated by Jack Black, published by Hachette Audio

*Nino Wrestles the World* by Yuyi Morales, narrated by Adriana Sananes, published by Dreamscape

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